

Sliced Thin by The Editor
Alex. H. Washburn

How to Spend 25¢
for a Reasonably
Exciting 2 Hours

I claim to be a pretty fair judge of whodunit mysteries, having acquired several hundred of the paper-backed classics; and my formula for picking 'em is simple.

Disregard the picture on the front cover. The more lurid the picture the louder the story is apt to be. Check the author's name. Talent is limited in this, as in everything else, and losing a quarter is less important than wasting two hours watching the book die instead of the villain.

Above all, check the printing history, on the fly-sheets inside the front cover. If it shows that this is a reprint from one of the famous book companies you are pretty safe — some smart operator invested thousands of dollars a couple of years earlier to bring out this same story in hard covers at \$2 to \$3 per copy. And if the original book went to two or three printings you are doubly safe — some of the best may show 15 or 20 printings in total editions, priced first at \$3, then at \$1, before coming down to your 25¢ paper-back level.

When I was a youngster you wouldn't have dared bring a paperback book in the house. Of course the supply of titles back then was limited to what the English called "penny dreadfuls" — Americans called them Nick Carter.

But America being the No. 1 land of mass production we made the paper-back book something of universal intelligence, adding to the original detective-story line a thousand others. Today you can buy the eternal classics and a thousand reference titles for a quarter each.

I had read a friend's copy of "The Iron Mistress," in the original hard-cover edition, and made a memorandum to buy one for my own library, since this is the story of James Bowie and the famous knife James Black forged for him at Washington, this county — but I found the book as a new paper-back, and tore up the memo.

During World War II there was an appeal for books to be sent to the men overseas, particularly those in the Pacific. I sent out two boxes — and got a unanimous reaction — "How come every last one of them was great?"

Just the cream of the crop. I sometimes miss my guess on the newsstand, but when I get home and find the book is an overripe tomato I drop it in the wastebasket. So all the ones in the library are at least tolerable, and when you make a selection from what's left you come up with a hair-raising adventure.

Of course there's a paradox in armed men facing the enemy but spending their leisure hours reading about cops and robbers. It's not consistent, but neither is human nature — nor war.

Biggest kick I got out of sending those books to the Pacific was the story one Hopie veteran told me afterward. He said the books were split into sections and passed around among the men on his ship. When a fellow had read the first third, he scouted around until he found the man who had the second section, and so on.

This veteran was two-thirds through a bloody adventure — only to discover that the guy with the last section had gotten off the ship and taken the concluding pages with him.

How, my friend asked me, did they finally solve the crime?

H'm — I couldn't even recall what the story was about . . .

There are a lot of missing pages in a war.

Bus Loses Wheel, 14 Are Injured

HOT SPRINGS (UPI) — A Little Rock-bound Trailways bus lost a wheel and veered sideways on busy U. S. Highway 70 near here yesterday, injuring 14 persons.

The bus did not overturn.

Arkansas State Trooper Glenn Minton said that 14 of the 20 passengers aboard the bus were taken to St. Joseph's Hospital here for treatment of minor bruises and cuts. The drive, 30-year-old Grover N. Douglass of Hot Springs, was released yesterday. The others were to be dismissed today.

Minton said the left rear wheel of the bus dropped off, causing the vehicle to slip off the pavement, then turn across the highway and hit a tree near the Garland-Saline County line.

Highway traffic was tied up until mid-afternoon.

The other injured included:

Mrs. E. P. Nance, 72, Conway. Mrs. Elizabeth Atkinson, 61, Little Rock.

Mrs. L. M. Olson, 60, Little Rock.

Mrs. Bernad Cestriani, 43, Memphis, Tenn.

Miss Esta Lee Wells, 21, Mt. Ida, Ark.

Mrs. Esther E. King, 56, Little Rock.

Mrs. Thel Lerz, 61, Hot Springs.

Tony Kelby, 64, Benton.

Mrs. Ida Belle Johnson, 36, Hot Springs.

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Moral to This Story Is in This World a Big Heart Rarely Is Understood by Small Minds

BY HA BOYLE

NEW YORK (UPI) — Once upon a time a tadpole named Elwin lived in a small pond away out in the sticks.

Elwin was different from the other little tadpoles. All they wanted to do was grow up and be big bullfrogs and sit on a lily pad and sing "Jug-o-rum." Jug-o-rum" all night long. But not Elwin. He wanted to make his mark in the world.

One day a strong wind blew a tattered old circus poster into the pond. The other tadpoles swam up and laughed at the pictures of the elephants on the poster. But not Elwin.

"That is the life for me," he decided. "I want to go places and see things. I'm going to be an elephant."

Elwin made the mistake of confiding his ambition to the other

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WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas — Mostly cloudy, much colder north this afternoon and tonight, considerably colder south tonight and Tuesday. Widely scattered showers north this afternoon, occasional light rain Tuesday. Low tonight 28-30.

Experiment Station report for 24-hour-period ending at 6 p.m. Monday, High 81, Low 61.

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Library Group Visits Hempstead County



Recently members of the State Library organization visited here in an annual tour. The visitors above are proudly displaying souvenirs collected in Hope. Left to right: Mrs. I. T. Hill, Arkansas Library Commission, Imboden, Trustee; Mrs. Mary Pincincey, Arkansas Library Commission, Staff, Little Rock; Mrs. Tommie Dailey, Arkansas Library Commission, Trustee DeQueen; Mrs. Kari Neal, Executive Secretary and Librarian, Arkansas Library Commission, Little Rock; Mrs. Hazel Pritchard, Librarian, Hempstead County Library, Hope; Mrs. Anne Stingley Jackson, Consultant High School and Public Libraries, Arkansas Library Commission, Little Rock.

Benson Predicts Butter Prices to Take Plunge

By PATRICIA WIGGINS

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Agricultural Secretary Ezra I. Benson expects butter prices to plunge anywhere from 8 to 13 cents this week when federal price supports are slashed.

He is going to cut dairy supports 15 percent Thursday. He said this will probably mean a drop of 8 to 10 cents a pound in butter at the grocery store. "And a number of retailers and wholesalers probably are going to push it down below that — possibly 2 to 3 cents more," he said.

Butter now is averaging about 75 cents a pound across the country. The support slash should bring it down at least to about 71 cents for the housewife.

In addition to cutting dairy supports Thursday, Benson is expected to announce a butter disposal plan for certain key cities that should show up, if not immediately, at least "within a matter of days" after Thursday.

Although retail stores don't usually cut prices of stocks on hand, a spokesman for the National Association of Food Chinas said she believes "the competitive situation would make an immediate drop necessary."

A midwestern branch of the Kroger chain and several others already have dropped prices in a promotional campaign.

At the same time the butter support cut goes into effect, Benson is expected to announce a plan by which consumers in certain areas will get an additional break on butter prices.

The government plans to dispose of butter at cut-rate prices in one or more cities or towns in a test effort to get rid of some of the 328,000,000 pounds of butter piled up in federal storage. The program is not expected to go into operation until some time after April 1.

While the butter support cut initially will mean lower prices on

Violence Claims Lives of 12

By The Associated Press

At least 12 persons died violently, including three by drowning, in Arkansas for the week ended last midnight.

Two North Little Rock women, Mrs. Harold F. Webb, 30, and Mrs. Juanita Morris, 18, drowned Saturday night when the automobile in which they were riding plunged into a creek about two miles west of Chilcath, Ark., in Yell County.

Harold F. Webb, driver of the car, was injured. State Trooper John Scott said two persons in another car were injured when it followed the first vehicle into the creek. He identified them as Troy Bearden, 31, and Mary Belle Whitley, 36, both of North Little Rock.

Scott said the first car went through a dust cloud and the second, which was following the first by means of the tail light, continued into the creek.

State Trooper Bill Manes said Conway Wells, 33, of Cave City died last night when the car in which Wells was riding crashed into a bridge abutment near Newport. Manes said the accident occurred about five miles south of Newport on Highway 67.

Schedule of Lay-Services Is Completed

The lay-speaker schedule for the Wednesday noon Union Lay-services, sponsored by the ministerial Alliance and the Hope Chamber of Commerce has been completed.

The responsible committee for this series of programs are well pleased with the response from those who have been asked to serve in the various capacities. Some of the outstanding laymen in our city have agreed to serve as speakers, as well as in other places for the devotional services.

The services will be held in the First Baptist Church each Wednesday, beginning Wednesday, March 31 through April 28. The starting and ending time schedule will be strictly adhered to, starting time being 12:40, and ending at 12:55.

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Court Settles Clerk Issue in Franklin

By LEON HATCH

LITTLE ROCK (UPI) — The Arkansas Supreme Court today threw out conflicting claims of the two chief contenders for the office of Franklin County clerk, and held that Circuit Clerk Demus Anderson also is the county clerk.

It ruled that the election of Billy Dlow Higgins was county clerk in November 1952 was illegal.

Bunt said the court appointed of Harold E. Wacaster to the job by Gov. Cherry also was illegal because the legislative act which created the position violates the constitutional prohibition against local legislation.

The ruling could have the effect of voiding a number of other clerkships to which incumbents were appointed on authority of acts of the 1952 Legislature. This could be true, however, only if each act is attacked in court.

In any case, the appointed incumbents may serve only until the end of this year and cannot seek an elective term.

Until the 1952 General Election, the Arkansas Constitution said that in counties of less than 15,000 population, the circuit clerk also must serve as county clerk.

In the 1952 election, an amendment was adopted providing that all counties could have a county clerk.

Franklin had had a separate county clerk for many years, but the 1950 census showed that the county had fallen below 15,000 in population.

Nevertheless, Higgins campaigned for and was elected county clerk at the same election at which the constitutional amendment was adopted.

He contended that adoption of the amendment removed any possible doubt of the validity of his election.

The attorney general's office held early in 1953, however, that the amendment was not self-executing. Enabling acts would be necessary to provide a separate county clerk in those counties of less than 15,000 population, said the attorney general.

After such an act was passed

for Franklin County, Gov. Cherry appointed Wacaster county clerk.

Higgins refused to give up the office until Circuit Judge Carl Creekmore ruled that Wacaster was the legal incumbent.

Anderson joined in the litigation, contending that if Higgins was not the legal clerk, then the office was

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Airforce Flyers Narrowly Escape

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (UPI) — Two Air Force flyers, including one from Pine Bluff, Ark., narrowly escaped death here yesterday when they crash landed their jet fighter plane.

The pilot, 2nd Lt. Charles E. Whitehead, 25, of Pine Bluff, was taken to the Great Falls Air Force Base hospital. He wasn't believed

to be injured seriously.

Asked then whether he was

counting on the Senate-House

conference committee to knock out the additional cuts voted by the Senate

White House Is Picketed by Longshoremen

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Longshoremen estimated by police to number around 1,000 picketed the White House today in protest against the government's handling of the bitter dock strike that has hit up the port of New York.

Metropolitan police said about 1,200 to 1,400 of the men had come into the capital by bus and other means, mainly from New York but with their ranks swelled by contingents picked up on the way. They expected more.

Plans announced by the dockworkers as they left New York had also included picketing operations at the National Labor Relations Board which begins consideration tomorrow of an NLRB examiner's recommendations in the dock labor dispute.

The men represent the old International Longshoremen's Assn. (ILA) which apparently won a board-supervised election just before Christmas. For the right to represent the dock workers, a board examiner recommended that the election be voided, on the ground that the ILA was responsible for violence and intimidation which he said prevented a fair test at the polls.

A new union, the AFL-ILA, in the election and protested the apparent result. The new union was set up after the federation had thrown the old ILA out of its membership for failure to rid itself of gangster elements.

Picketing, which began shortly after the men began to arrive here after their all-night drive from New York, was orderly but on a mass scale. As new contingents came in they joined the marchers.

Mundt (R-SD) also turned down Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy's demand that the subcommittee resume the hunt for Communists while waiting for the hearings to start.

"I think we ought to finish this job before any other hearings," Mundt told reporters yesterday.

Four other members of the seven-man subcommittee agreed. Sen. Charles E. Potter (R-Mich.) said the inquiry should start "as quickly as possible."

The subcommittee three Democrats — Sens. John L. McClellan (Ark.), Stuart Symington (Mo.) and Henry M. Jackson (Wash.) — also are urging speedy action.

Associate Justice George Rosenwald, who wrote the majority opinion called it a "widening." He was joined by Chief Justice Earl Warren and Justices Ed McFadden and Minor Milwee.

Associate Justice George Rosenwald, in the dissenting opinion, said that the improvement was at relocation. The court said "Smith had no one is entitled to damages resulting from a highway relocation because no person has vested right to the maintenance of a public highway in a particular place."

Smith and Associates Justices J. S. Holt and Paul Ward would have ordered a new trial in the case on Clark County's appeal that the judgment was excessive.

The Supreme Court unanimously affirmed the life sentence of Negro Clarence Long for the fatal shooting of Henry Allen, also Negro at Athelmer cafe on Aug. 9, 1953.

The state contended that Allen was killed as the outgrowth of an earlier quarrel between the two men.

Long's attorney argued that Allen advanced on Long with a knife but witnesses said they saw no such weapon.

The Supreme Court opinion upheld a Jefferson Circuit Court jury which convicted Long of first-degree murder and imposed the life sentence.

Mississippi Chancery Court, Ossipee District, was affirmed in refusing to give Charles Kennemore, a lawyer on property owned by Guy Robbins and his associates, if he wanted any money withheld for his work on houses being built for Robbins by contractor Lowell Dickson.

MARKETS



Decision in State Supreme Court

LITTLE ROCK (P) — The Arkansas Supreme Court today handed down these decisions:

Billy Dow Huggins and others vs. Howard E. Wacaster, appeal from Franklin Circuit Court, reversed.

O. W. Noble vs. city of Little Rock, Pulaski Chancery Court, affirmed.

Ray Lewis vs. T. M. Phillips, Van Buren Circuit Court, affirmed.

Clarence Long vs. state, Jefferson Circuit Court, affirmed.

Fred T. Haddock vs. L. A. McCloud and others, reversed.

Clark County vs. C. P. Mitchell, Clark Circuit Court, affirmed.

A Puerto Rican constitution modeled on that of the United States was approved by the U. S. Congress and a vote of the Puerto Rican people in 1952.

tumbled to new lows for the past several years. Wheatals took a fairly heavy pounding, particularly the May delivery.

New crop soybeans were independently firm most of the session. Wheat closed 1 to 2½ lower; May \$12 18½ g., corn 3 to 1 cent lower; May \$1.64-\$1.55, oats 5-6½ lower; May \$2.03½-\$1.03, and soybeans 2 to 3½ higher; May \$3.67½-\$3.68.

Cash wheat: None, gmt: No. 1 yellow lake 1.58½; No. 1 and 2 yellow 1.59; No. 3 1.57½-1.58½; No. 4 1.47-54. Oats: No. 1 white 80; No. 2 heavy white 80½-81; No. 2 white 78. Soybeans: None.

Barley nominal: Maltling 1.20-62¢ feed 92½-11¢ Field seed per 100 lb nominal: White clover 10.50-11.00; Red top 57.00-58.00; alsike 17.50-18.00; timothy 12.50-13.50; red clover 27.00-28.00.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, March 29 (P) — Cotton futures drifted lower today on scattered liquidation and hedging which met only stale down trade support and short covering. Switching from nearby May to later months was moderately active.

Slow conditions in cotton textiles and spot markets created a hesitancy in futures.

Later afternoon prices were 10 to 20 cents a bale lower than the previous close: May 34.94¢, July 34.57¢ and Oct. 33.95¢-1.5¢.

MY PAL — Lloyd Stevens, 4, of Minneapolis, Minn., is very fond of his dog, "Shep," and he should be. Recently when an angry cow butted the child to the ground, Shep came to his master's rescue by making the cow give ground with much barking and snarling. A farm hand working on the Stevens farm saved the boy before he was seriously harmed.

STAIN AND PROVISIONS

CHICAGO, March 29 (P) — Grains headed lower after a show of firmness during the first hour on the Board of Trade today. By the time the final bell rang losses mounted quite high.

The biggest break was in rice, which

MEMO TO ADVERTISERS

**Oh, WHERE
is my wandering
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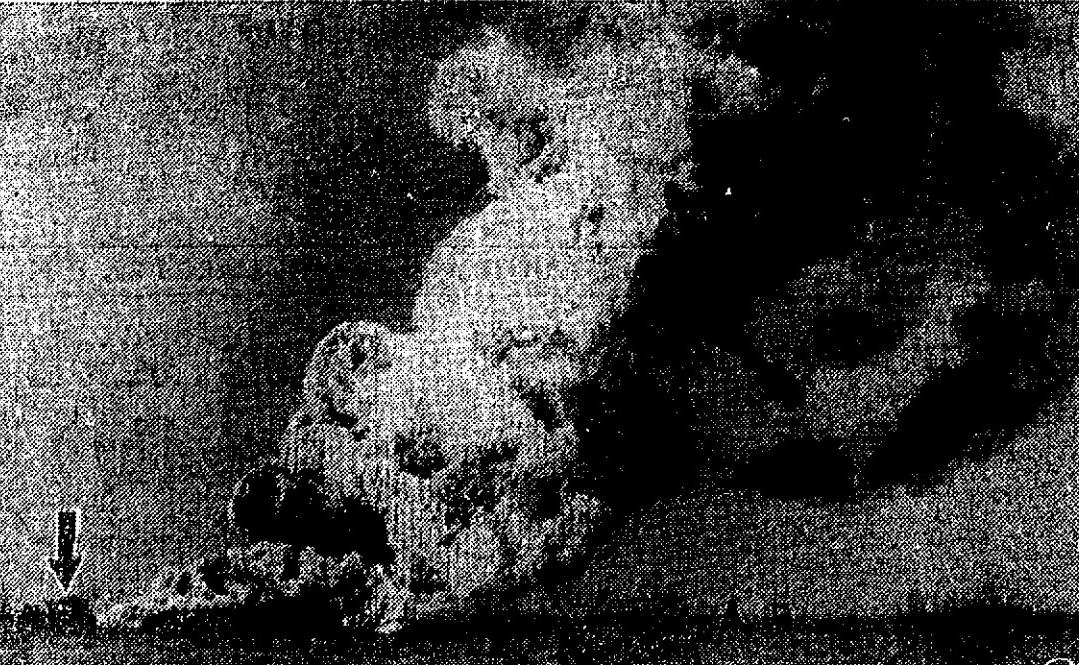
sound business investment, we hold membership in the Audit Bureau of Circulations,* well known to advertisers and publishers as A.B.C. Only publications with paid circulation—evidence that people want the paper—are eligible for membership.

At regular intervals one of the Bureau's large staff of experienced circulation auditors comes to our office to make a thorough audit of our circulation records. The FACTS that he obtains as a result of the audit are published in A.B.C. reports which tell you: How much circulation we have; Where it goes; How obtained; How much people pay for our paper, and many other FACTS that you need in order to KNOW what you get for your advertising money.

It's never necessary for our advertisers to ask, "Oh, where is my wandering ad?" They get the FACTS from our A.B.C. report and KNOW. Ask for a copy today.

HOPE Star

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\$\$\$\$\$ GO UP IN THIS SMOKE — Gas escaping from a well 10 miles southwest of Hobbs, N. M., is burning at the rate of \$1.16 worth every second. That's an estimated 100,000,000 cubic feet a day, enough to supply a city the size of Ft. Worth, Tex., with all the fuel it needs. Gas was ignited when it was forced from the well by underground pressure, causing either a friction spark or an arc in a broken electric lamp. The steel drilling derrick over the well melted and toppled over within two hours. The charred mass at left (arrow) was a \$38,000 well-cementing truck caught too close to the well when the gas "blew."

Three Die in Fire in Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP) — Three men were killed yesterday in a fire that swept the two upper floors of a small hotel in downtown Kansas City.

Police identified the dead as Blackie Barton, 39, who was injured fatally when he leaped from a third floor window; Solomon David Blanton, 77, a pensioner, and Charles Crouse, 79, formerly a county employee. The bodies of Blanton and Crouse were found on the third floor of the three-day structure, the Walker hotel.

Five firemen were injured in fighting the blaze but none was seriously hurt.

Fire department officials believed the blaze started in a trash closet. It raged for more than five hours as dozens of firemen fought to bring it under control.

Fire department officials estimated loss in the blaze, which gutted the top two floors of the old building, about \$15,000. The hotel was located half a block from police headquarters.



SO WHO'S EXCITED? — Noted as the deadliest-panned actor since Buster Keaton, Alan Ladd faced the top test of deadpanness when he met Marilyn Monroe in Hollywood to receive Photoplay Magazine's Gold Medal awards as "Best Actor" and "Best Actress" of 1953. As seen above, the proximity to Marilyn failed to crack Ladd's deadpan record. Ladd was named for his work in "Shane," Marilyn for her performance in "How to Marry a Millionaire" and "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes."

Broadcasters Name Officers

LITTLE ROCK (P) — The new president of the Arkansas Association of Broadcasters is Ted Woods of radio station KOSE at Osceola.

Woods was named to the post here yesterday to succeed L. B. Tooley of radio station KXAR at Hope.

Other officers: Bill Bigley, KVMA, Magnolia, vice president; Dick Evans, KLMRA, Little Rock; Cecil Smith, KUWA, Siloam Springs; and Sam Anderson, KFFA, Helena, directors.

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SOCIETY

Phone 7-2431 Between 8 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Calendar

Monday March 29

The Wesleyan Service Guild of the Methodist Church will have a pot luck supper on Monday evening, March 29th in the home of Mrs. Elmer Brown on East Fifth street. At this meeting, Mrs. H. E. Patterson, missionary study secretary for the Woman's Society, will conduct the first half of the study of Jeremiah.

A luncheon will be given at the First Methodist Church by the members of the W. S. C. S. on Monday, March 29, honoring the Hendrix College Varsity Band with the MYF groups as special guests.

The Workers Sunday School Class of the Garrett Memorial Baptist Church will meet in the home of Mrs. Aubrey Collier, Jr., on Monday, March 29, at 7:15 with Mrs. J. S. McDowell as hostess and Mrs. Gladys Roberts as co-hostess.

At 8 p. m. there will be a concert by the Hendrix College Band, Dr. Ashley R. Coffman, conductor, in the Hope High School auditorium.

Tuesday March 30

The Jett B. Graves Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Church will meet in the home of Mrs. Hollis Luck, 855 East Second street, on Tuesday night, March 30, at seven o'clock for a pot luck supper. All members are urged to attend.

Tuesday April 1

The spring recital of the Junior and Senior High School Glee Clubs

will be presented in the High School auditorium at eight o'clock on Thursday night, April 1.

The Chancel Choir of the First Baptist Church will rehearse their Easter music on Thursday night, April 1, at 7:30. All members are urged to attend. The Soprano section will serve.

Monday April 5

WCS Circle 5 of the First Methodist Church will meet Monday, April 5, at 7:30 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Claude Tillery for their "Secret Pal" party. Each member is asked to bring a contribution for the gifts they have received from their pal and if you cannot be present please send the name of the member you think has been your pal and your contribution by another member who is coming.

Phyllis Cole
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Berthel Dougan

On Sunday, March 28, at 2:30 p. m., Miss Phyllis Cole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cole of Emmet, became the bride of Berthel Dougan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dougan of Emmet, in a single ring ceremony performed by Mr. Leon-

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family since your great, great grandfather — on your mother's side, naturally — ran away with a toad. I forbid you to be an elephant. Get that nonsense out of your head."

But Elwin was determined to be an elephant. When he began to change from a tadpole into a young frog, he kept pulling on his nose to make it longer and learned to blow water through it. He figured that to become an elephant he would have to eat like a horse so he ate all he could.

At night he hopped into town to the public library and read every book he could find on elephants. All day long he took elephant-building exercises.

Little Elwin ate and he ate... and he grew and he grew... until finally, at last, he woke up one morning and found he was — an elephant.

At first Elwin was happy. His mother was proud of him, too... But his father told him angrily, "You're nothing but a freak."

The other frogs, his former playmates, cut him dead. Finally one told him rankly, "With all your big ideas, Elwin, don't you find this pond a little small?"

Elwin brooded and brooded. Then one night he packed all his belongings in a small bundle and over his shoulder, hopped silently in and kissed his sleeping mother goodbye, and ran away to join a circus.

He thought the other elephants would welcome him. But they snubbed him.

"You have a strange accent," they told him. "And why can't you just trudge along like a decent elephant? Why do you have to hop all the time?"

"If I can't join your troupe," said Elwin stubbornly, "I'll become a star in my own right." And he did. He hired a smart manager and overnight "Elwin, the world's only hopping elephant" became world famous. The climax of his act came when he slid down a short slide, hopped over twelve barrels at a time a pretty girl singing — and landed on his back feet bowing gracefully.

When Elwin had become the wealthiest elephant in history, he received a telegram saying:

"Your old friends and neighbors joined in asking you to return to our pond's most illustrious son, to return be the main speaker at a banquet kickoff our annual community charity drive for aged amphibians. Sorry we can't offer to pay your expenses. Signed Mayor Frog."

"Gee, it would be fun to see the old home pond again, even though mother is dead," Elwin told his manager. "Charter me a plane."

Everybody in the pond was on hand to welcome Elwin. His wrinkled old father reached up and patted him on the back of his leg and said fondly, "that's my boy. Son, I'm proud of you."

Cheers rose o'er every hand when Elwin got up to speak that night at the banquet.

"It is indeed pleasure—" Elwin began, then went "harrumph, har-r-rumph."

"Got a cold?" asked the mayor.

"Oh, no," Elwin laughed, and the n told the audience. "Excuse me... just a frog in my throat."

"A frog?" cried the mayor, looking around to see if any of his constituents were missing.

Panic spread through the crowd. Lady frogs gathered their children about them and hopped away. The big bullfrogs began hurling mud at Elwin as they hopped away backward.

"I have reared an assassin," cried his mother. Then he, too, disappeared.

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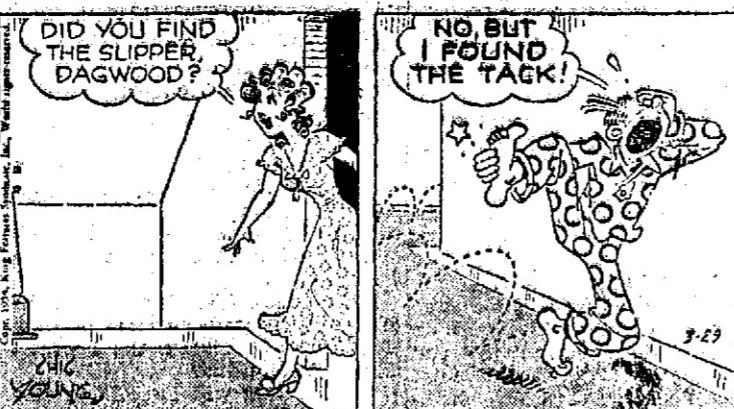
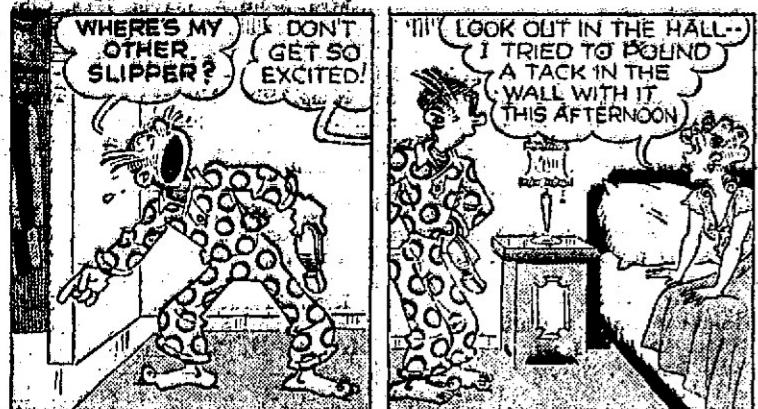
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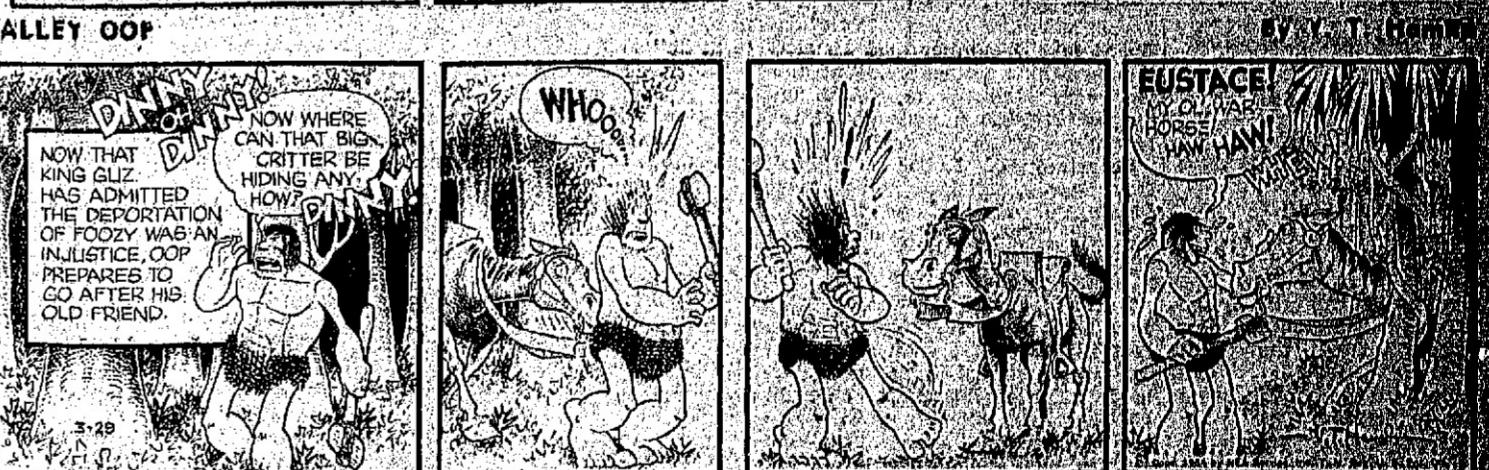
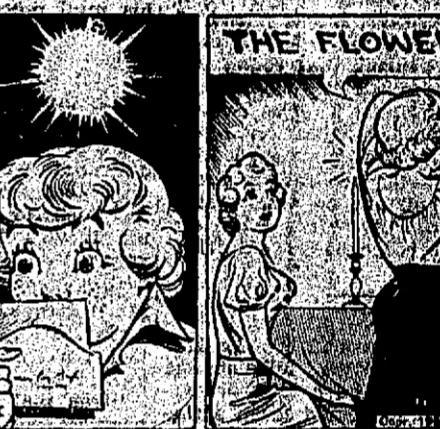
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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

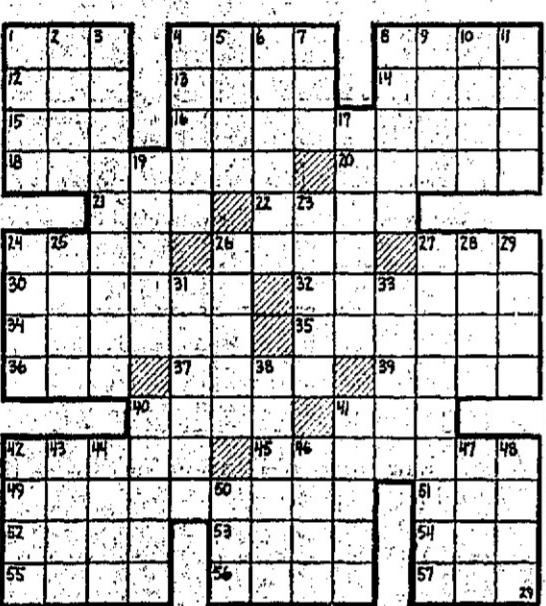


By Kurt Winter

Dinner Time

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ACROSS
4 Monsters
1 fish cakes
4 Vegetable
8 Parkethouse.
12 Fruit drink
13 Equipment
14 Great Lake
15 Witty saying
16 Turncoats
18 Gift
20 Unicompanied
21 Legal matters
22 Does wrong
24 Pheasants, quail, etc.
26 Mine entrance
27 Staff
30 Ran together
32 Cylindrical
34 Feet
35 Amatory
36 Gold mound
37 Soaks flax
38 Watch sound
40 Indian coin
41 Varnish
42 Stamp
45 Unemployed
time
49 Sets aside
51 Car gear
52 Horse's neck hairs
53 Vend
54 Night before
55 Mall drinks
56 Ghelle
57 Indian weight
DOWN
1 Temporary shelter site
2 Scant
3 Decade



CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I thought we bought this dog for Junior to take care of and develop his sense of responsibility!"

SIDE GLANCES

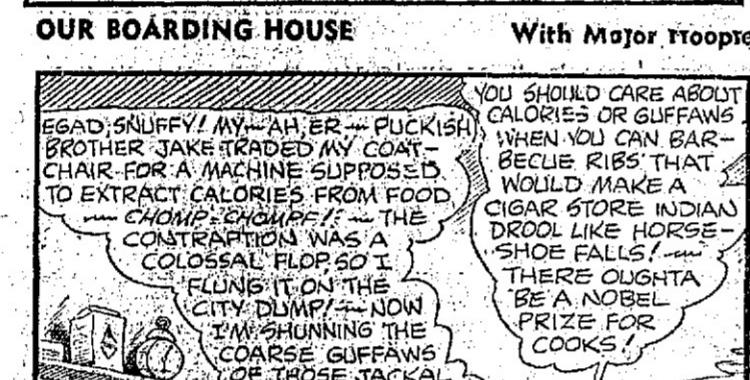
By Galbraith



"I forgot to tell you, dear, I was once engaged to the barber who cut your hair!"

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



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Beautiful Young Singers Assembled

BOB THOMAS
HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — The newest in show business is the newsmobile quartet of young singers ever assembled.

"The Four Young Singers" consists of recording stars Connie Haines and Carol Davis and filmstars Jane Russell and Rhonda Fleming. The girls are looking for singer Della.

The Four Girls which is the title of the group, sing for youth groups of Los Angeles churches.

They can't all. They'll appear with their spiritual songs on TV Sunday.

Their record "Do Lord" is the latest seller in Los Angeles and soon in Pittsburgh, Minneapolis, throughout the South and other places it has been released.

A singing rendition of a 100-year-old spiritual, it has sold 180,000 discs and is still climbing.

Visited the girls in rehearsal at the home of Beryl, who's the new star Peter Potter. They are breaking in their new members and such enthusiasm have never seen. You think each of the girls had just won an award.

"Our harmonizing is new to me. I always done solo work," said Rhonda, a Mormon.

She has a beautiful soprano,

the same range as Dolores, Beryl, an Episcopalian.

Our singing sounded like something awful when we first heard ourselves, but it's not bad when all put together," remarked a non-denominational Christian.

This thing is bigger than all of us," agreed Connie, a Presbyterian.

Connie told how the whole thing came about. All the girls are members of the Hollywood Christian Group, a religious discussion outfit for show business people.

Two years ago by such figures as Jane and Colleen Townsend, who gave up her acting career for a religious life with her husband, Dr. Louis Evans.

The girls were at Beryl's church

fund-raising drive, Jane re-

marked, "Connie was going to sing

hymns and I were just going to

listen. We were down in the

aisle before the program, and

Connie was singing a spiritual she

saw on TV." She got us to

come in and we ended up singing

for the church group. They

wanted us to stay.

Then things started to happen,

it's kind of odd. Everything

seemed to work out perfectly and

you can tell me it was just an

accident. I'm sure it's the Lord's

will. It's in place, our voices

sounded perfectly. All of us were

out two notes apart. For another

thing, the record arrangement

was in place. I was free from

any complications, and so was Beryl

Brown, Connie, and Della were fit

and healthy. So that was the

time to go. And it just happened

that for my freedom to do TV,

and the other girls were available.

When Della had to drop out,

Brown wanted to join us. Her

range was the same range as

Della. I couldn't believe it.

Connie, I'm

representing the longshoremen in ba-

gaining with employers.

The National Labor Relations

Board last December held an election among the dockers. Was this too soon? Had the new AFL union time to win a majority of the longshoremen to its side?

Secretary of Labor Mitchell

Gov. Dewey, and New York State

Crime Commission and the AFL

all said it was too soon and op-

posed the election. The NLRB held

it anyway. The old ILA won.

But its margin of victory was

only 1,452 so surprisingly small

that the AFL had visions of win-

ning if another election could be

held a little later. It charged

longshoremen voting in the Decem-

ber election had been intimidat-

ed by ILA goon squads and asked

the NLRB to set aside the election

Gov. Dewey backed this.

The NLRB began an investiga-

tion, setting one of its examiners

Arthur Leff, to work on the case.

As the weeks passed, the AFL

seemed to be gaining strength, the

old ILA losing.

If this continued the old ILA

might wither away. But if the old

ILA struck, it might demonstrate

it still had enough strength to force

a compromise.

The NLRB got a federal judge

to issue an injunction forbidding a

strike. The ILA struck in defiance.

The strike wasn't started officially.

The strikers simply said they

gave its endorsement last week.

After the strike began 25 days

ago, the AFL tried to start a buck-

to-work movement. ILA strikes

got rough. New York mounted

police tried to keep order. But the

net result: shipping in the Port of

New York stopped cold. Today a

federal judge considers contempt

charges against the union for strik-

ing in violation of an injunction.

Last Friday, NLRB Examiner

Leff recommended results of the

December election be thrown out.

If the FULL NLRB in Washington

says this would mean they'd

have another election.

The full NLRB decided to meet

tomorrow to consider Leff's rec-

ommendation.

Saturday, Mitchell and Gov.

Thomas issued a joint statement

recommending the strike as a "cham-

pion of justice."

Then the ILA replaced Ryan

with Captain

John P. Ryan, who's been

involved in the

union since

the strike began.

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